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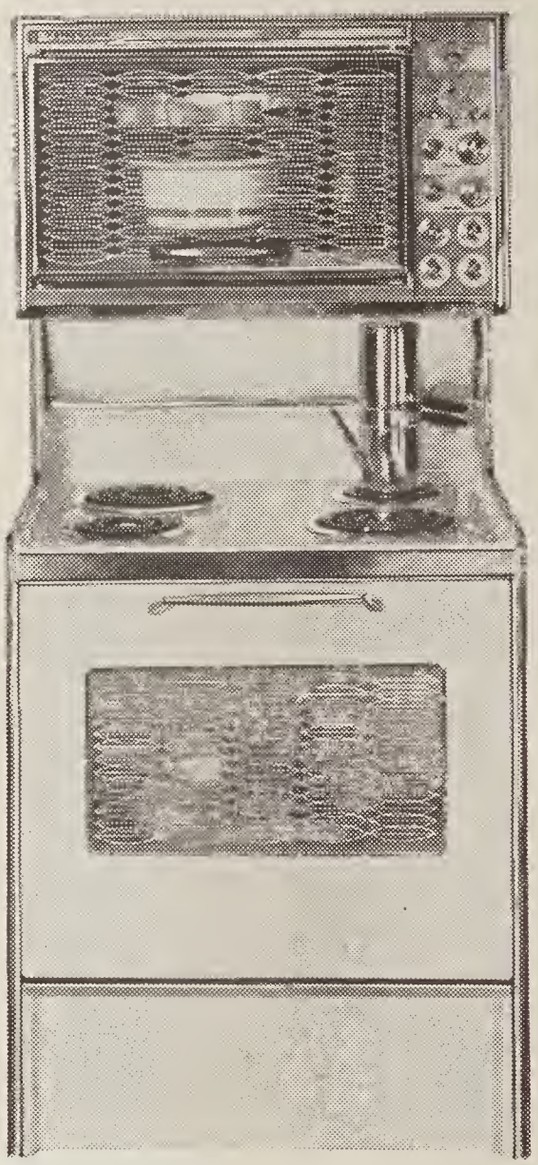

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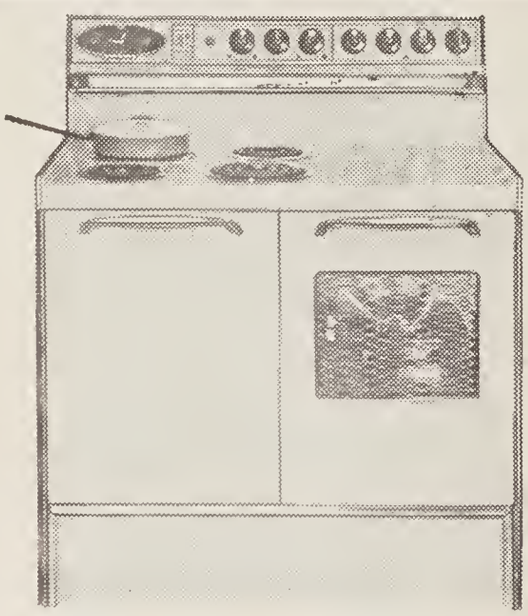

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COVER—The nation's monopoly power companies are mounting a scare campaign against what they call the "monster" of rural electrification. Considering that electric co-ops represent only one percent of the electric business in the United States, we assume that they must be looking at some distorted shadows someplace. On page 7 you'll find a story which comments on the anti-rural electrification article in December Reader's Digest, the hip-pocket friend of the power companies. So that we could have room to discuss the Digest story in detail, some regular CAROLINA FARMER features were left out this month, including J. C. Brown's Tarheel Rural Lines.

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Stand Up

Net profits of the nation's private power companies reached an alltime high in the first 10 months of 1963. According to preliminary figures from the Federal Power Commission, profits for the period were $1,810,609,000. The $1.8 billion figure was 6.5 percent higher than the $1,699,508,000 in net profits in the first 10 months of 1962.

When the November and December figures are in, 1963 will show the highest net profits in the history of the private power industry, which netted $2,062,539,000 for the full year 1962.

In spite of all these figures, the monopoly power companies are conducting a massive propaganda campaign attempting to convince the public that electric co-ops are "ruining" them. And they have enlisted some powerful allies to tell their scare story for them. One of these is the Reader's Digest—an avowed power company backer and avid anti-co-op spokesman. The Digest (see story beginning on page 7) refers to rural electrification as a "monster eating into the entire electric power industry."

The fact is that rural electric cooperatives make up *only one percent of the entire electric business in this country.*

Will the real "monsters" please stand up?

T. R. Walker

The past year, being president of Tarheel Electric Membership Association became a demanding, nearly full-time job for T. R. Walker. During the long session of the General Assembly, and the months before and after, his face was a familiar one in Raleigh. Whenever rural electrification faced severe tests, he was on the scene, working for rural people and their programs.

Tilman Walker's service to his fellow man came to a close on New Year's Day. He suffered a fatal heart attack shortly after shoveling snow off the walks of his home near Morganton.

Nothing was more important in his life than the welfare of rural people. He served them loyally and ably for many years. Twenty-two years ago he helped organize Burke-McDowell Electric Membership Corporation; for the past eight years he served the cooperative as a director. He was also a leader in other cooperative organizations, and during the Eisenhower administration was state director of the Agricultural Stabilization Corporation.

His stewardship will be missed especially by North Carolina's rural people.

READER'S DIGEST

Dear Mr. Pence:

For some time I have been writing state representatives and congressmen about the private power company's grab. But did you see that article in the December issue of **Reader's Digest**?!

I want to try to undo the harm that was done, and I don't know how. I don't have the education or facts to write an article for the magazine. Can you do it for me? Can't we demand equal time?

If you don't have the time, please get in touch with someone who can do it for us. Thank you very much.

(Name Withheld)

P. S. In that article they didn't mention how the co-ops went up and down these hills for five or ten miles at a time to serve one house.

Indeed, I did read the article in the Reader's Digest. I'm afraid it wouldn't do much good to write an answer for the folks on that magazine, because they wouldn't use it. (No equal time from them.) Nor will they print letters to the editor. They always have the facts right to begin with, they say. I think they don't, and have pointed this out in an article in this issue. I hope that this will undo some of the harm.—Dick Pence

COLORING BOOKS

Woof! Folks in rural North Carolina really like to color! We've gotten many more requests than our coloring book supply of 50 will take care of. Our note in the November issue of THE CAROLINA FARMER (The Front Porch) brought amazing results. If you've already received your book, then you were one of the first 50 to write in. If not, don't give up. We're trying to get enough to fill the requests of those who have already written. (Sorry, but we can't fill additional orders.) Also, to those of you who requested more than one copy, in order to be fair to everybody, we can send only one coloring book for each letter.

I'm gratified at the number of people who have taken time to write me—and flattered, too. It would be impossible for me to answer every letter personally so please accept this as a from-me-to-you thanks. We always enjoy hearing from you.—Dick Pence

GERTRUDE *by Ted Trogdon*

"Okay! Okay! You can set!"

COLORING BOOKS

Dear Sir:

Here's hoping I am one of the "first 50" for the coloring book.

I enjoyed "The Front Porch" very much. It reminds me of the thousand and one things that my husband hangs on to. Sooner or later he uses them, though.

Mrs. N. Burnette
Hunting Lodge Drive
Rocky Mount, N. C.

Dear Mr. Pence:

I read about the coloring books in your magazine. I like your magazine and I always read your jokes or "Hale." I am in the fifth grade at the Kenansville Elementary School.

Sharon Alphin
Rt. 1, Box 161
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Dear Mr. Pence:

Please send me one of the coloring books. I enjoy reading your section of THE CAROLINA FARMER each month. I enjoy most of the other articles, also.

I guess I'll have to draw straws to see who gets the book—one of my eight children or me.

Mrs. Marvin Lowrance
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THE FRONT PORCH *by Dick Pence*

The morning mail:

John Stanford, editor of THE TENNESSEE MAGAZINE, which circulates among members of electric co-ops in our neighboring state, writes to tell us about some young ladies who live on co-op lines.

The girls have a vocal group called the Harmonettes. From an original entry of 150 acts, they've been selected to appear on the Jan. 26 Ted Mack TV show.

The families of the girls are all members of Pickwick Electric Co-op, Selmar, Tenn. In the photo, taken in front of the co-op office, are (left to right): Susan Roberts, Suzanne Smith, Charlotte Wilkerson and Brenda Smith.

John thinks it would be a good idea if rural folk take a look at the Jan. 26 show and then give a little backing to these gals. If enough people support them, they can earn an appearance at Madison Square Garden and later can go on to international competition.

The Harmonettes

And a press release from the dairy company which created Elsie the Cow says they're looking for a purebred Jersey "with stage presence" to play the part. The new Elsie will make her debut in a musical show at the 1964-65 New York World's Fair.

Elsie

If you have a Jersey which looks like Elsie (see photo)—and has stage presence—drop me a line and I'll supply you with details on how to enter the talent search.

Each person entering a cow in the talent search will receive a certificate declaring that he "helped in the Elsie Talent Search." The winning cow will be purchased, according to the release, at "well above the market price."

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Fiction in the Reader's Digest

(Editor's note: The December issue of Reader's Digest carries an article entitled: "The REA—A Case Study of Bureaucracy Run Wild." This article has been characterized by Gale W. McGee, U. S. Senator from Wyoming, as "a masterpiece of distortion, omission, half-truth and innuendo." Another Senator, Lee Metcalf of Montana, said that "the December issue of the Reader's Digest carried one of the most biased, absolutely vicious articles attacking this nation's rural electric cooperative movement" he had ever read.

We agree with these senators and others who have spoken out against the article. For that reason we are printing below a point-by-point analysis of the article, noting some of the many instances where the Digest twisted facts and ideas to suit its own desires.)

Digest: "Created in 1935 to bring electricity to farm areas"

The Facts: The Rural Electrification Act of 1936 says that loans shall be made "for the furnishing of electric energy to unserved persons in rural areas." It defines "rural areas" as including "both the farm and nonfarm population."

Digest: "the Rural Electrification Administration has grown into a many-headed monster"

The Facts: REA has been assigned one additional task since adoption of the Rural Electrification Act in 1936—the extension and improvement of rural telephone service. REA had fewer employees in 1963 (992) than in 1953 (1,126).

Digest: "eating into the entire electric power industry"

The Facts: From 1937 to 1962, the number of power company consumers increased from 23.5 million to 48.9 million and combined revenues of the companies rose from $2.2 billion per annum to $11.4 billion. In one year alone (1961 to 1962), their net profits increased by about 10 percent.

REA financing **cannot** be used to extend service to consumers in cities, nor can it be used to duplicate service already being provided by another source.

Generating capacity of REA borrowers is only **one percent** of the industry's capacity.

Digest: "eating into . . . the taxpayer's pocketbook"

The Facts: REA conducts lending programs, not giveaway programs. Its borrowers repay their loans with interest. The electric and telephone borrowers have paid $2 billion to the U. S. Treasurer in principal and interest payments.

Digest: "But down in the fine print the picture changed"

The Facts: This refers to a press release of April 30, 1963, by the USDA, giving a report on REA electric loans made during the period April 11-24, 1963. What the Reader's Digest calls "fine print" is actually single-spaced typewritten copy, rather than double-spaced copy as in the opening paragraphs of the release.

The magazine takes exception to the fact that one of the 3,000 consumers that will receive service as a result of the loans mentioned is an isolated radar tracking station. The location is 15 miles from the nearest town. It is in the heart of rural territory served for 22 years by the Choctawhatchee Electric Cooperative of DeFuniak Springs, Fla.

It is apparent that much of the Digest's article is designed to support the contention of Gulf Power Company that the federal government should have given it the contract to build lines into Choctawhatchee's service area to serve this particular rural power load.

Digest: "$4,063,000 **handout**"

The Facts: The so-called "handout" is a loan that will be repaid with interest. The article overlooks that Gulf is enjoying special benefits under federal law which are not available to all business firms. As of Dec. 31, 1961, the company had available for its corporate purposes the amount of $6,900,000, representing deferred federal income taxes, the equivalent of a government loan **without interest.** Under liberalized depreciation allowances, the company is receiving additional benefits. These amounted to more than $700,000 in 1961, and the company will continue to receive additional amounts annually. In contrast, the cooperative has received $6,656,000 in loans, every dollar of which must be repaid with interest.

Digest: "the tax-free co-op"

The Facts: Cooperatives don't pay federal income taxes because they do not make a profit. Any margins remaining at the close of the year's operations are paid back to consumers in rate reductions, in cash patronage refunds, or credited to their accounts as capital credits to be repaid later.

Digest: "Gulf Power Co. offered to furnish the electricity from its nearby power system. Having served the base for 22 years, it was easily able to run in additional high-voltage lines."

The Facts: Gulf "offered"—as did the cooperative—in response to invitation for bids from the Air Force, according to the company's own president, R. L. Pulley, in testimony before the subcommittee of the House Committee on Appropriations.

Regarding the "nearby" power system, the proposal submitted by Gulf Power called for **construction of 81 miles** of transmission line in order to serve the radar installation, according to a sketch attached to President Pulley's own statement.

The phrase "served the base" actually refers to Gulf service to

the towns of DeFuniak Springs, some 15 miles to the north, and Fort Walton Beach, about 20 miles to the west of the radar site. The company has no electric lines in the eastern or southeastern part of the 800 square miles of the Eglin Field Military Reservation. The cooperative does.

Gulf may have been "easily able" to run in lines, but its bid price was higher than the cooperative's.

Digest: "an REA co-op—with no emergency system"

The Facts: There is no such thing as an "REA co-op," although this loose terminology is often used to give the impression that it is a branch of the Federal Government. REA does not construct, own, or operate electric facilities.

Reader's Digest is in error about "no standby emergency system." This was a requirement of the contract, and the REA loan announcement specified a standby gas turbine unit for this purpose.

Digest: "with its only adequate source of power 60 miles away in Alabama"

The Facts: Choctawhatchee had to go to Alabama Electric Cooperative, a generation and transmission cooperative, for additional wholesale power because Gulf Power turned down the cooperative's request.

Digest: "This . . . deal will impose a $2,645,702 penalty on all taxpayers."

The Facts: RD's "penalty" figure is achieved by: (1) assuming the Treasury pays 4 percent for all the money it obtains (it does not); assuming the interest rate on Treasury long-term bor-

'the real conviction of truth'

Electric co-op members throughout the nation were shocked when they picked up their December copy of Reader's Digest and read a distorted attack on rural electrification. They, like many Americans, couldn't understand why this seemingly harmless little magazine should be condemning their cooperatives.

But if you take a closer look at the Reader's Digest and its avowed policies, you come away not so surprised. Sometime between 1922 (when the Digest started out by printing secondhand articles) and today (when it has become the biggest thing in publishing), it picked up a marked bias on many subjects. And though the Digest still purports to be a balanced synthesis of the published word, it expresses this bias in articles sandwiched between those of a cozy, optimistic nature on noncontroversial subjects.

The attack on rural electrification was signaled a few years ago when a Digest vice president announced to the Edison Electric Institute (a national organization of power companies) just where his publication stood.

"You can be sure that we at least are very much on your side," said Albert L. Cole. "We have shown this repeatedly by articles published in the Reader's Digest over a period of many years."

No one would try to dispute Mr. Cole's word. Reader's Digest articles have shown a marked tendency toward favoring the monopoly power companies. But it's worth noting that the Digest, unlike most other publications, has no editorial page, and the opinions of the editors can only be reflected in slanted articles.

And Mr. Cole told the utility executives how it's done. Six or seven editors will be assigned to a story and "go to work on it." He explained, "They would point up every salient point in flat statements or in illustrative anecdotes so that what finally comes through to the reader carries the real conviction of truth."

Cabinet members and United States senators, among others, have noted the difference between truth and the "conviction of truth." They have called upon the magazine to make factual corrections, but the Digest maintains its aura of infallibility by never printing a correction or giving space to an opposing viewpoint.

For example, a congressional economic subcommittee took issue with an article in the Digest which juggled unemployment statistics and attacked the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The subcommittee invited the staff writer who authored the article to testify in support of his charges. This effort, said the subcommittee, "failed to produce either personal testimony or a written statement." After a hearing, the subcommittee called the article "erroneous" and commented: "The subcommittee, therefore, finds no basis whatever for doubt as to the integrity of the Bureau of Labor Statistics and the other government agencies involved."

In 1952, Republican Senator George Aiken of Vermont protested to the Digest concerning an article criticising nonprofit cooperatives (a favorite Digest target). The Digest's publisher promised to carry an article by Senator Aiken, which refuted the Digest article. He failed to make good on the promise.

Just last year another article critical of cooperatives brought complaints to the Digest. This one—called "Why Should These Co-ops Enjoy Tax Privilege?"—was authored by O. K. Armstrong. Interestingly, it turned out that Mr. Armstrong was convicted of evading federal income taxes in 1946-49, fined, and in

rowings will be twice the REA interest rate for each of the next 35 years; (3) **assuming** the co-operative will take the maximum 35-year period to pay off this loan (many REA borrowers have paid off ahead of schedule); (4) **assuming** the income taxes of Gulf will remain constant for the next 35 years.

Digest: "pirating away millions of dollars' worth of business from private enterprise . . . almost everywhere the electric cooperatives are doing business."

The Facts: Co-ops are private enterprise, incorporated under state laws. Their loans are restricted by federal law so as not to compete with power companies. These restrictions confine loans to developing areas the power companies would not or could not serve. Now that these areas have developed, it is the power companies who are trying to take away loads in co-op territories.

Digest: "with the job now virtually completed"

The Facts: This is an echo of power company propagandists. Rural electrification is no more completed than urban electrification. REA borrowers are connecting more than 100,000 new consumers a year. These new consumers, coupled with increasing use of power by all consumers, double the consumption of power on electric co-op lines every 7 to 10 years.

Digest: "1005 co-ops"

The Facts: There are 894 rural electric cooperatives which are active REA distribution borrowers, plus 23 which have paid their REA loans in full.

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1958 ordered to pay up $11,738 he owed the Internal Revenue Service.

In another area, the Digest's frequent stories on quick cures for dreadful diseases have often brought condemnation from the scientific and medical worlds. The Digest has never backed down on these stories, in spite of the fact that they have often aroused false hope in many sufferers—and even led to further illness among others.

In one famous case in the 1930's, the Digest published an article called: "Found: A One-Day Cure for Syphilis." This piece told of a new ten-hour treatment for the disease, and led medical researchers to comment: "This tendency of medical journalists to raise false hopes in lay minds can only be deplored. With all due respect to democratic freedom of speech, it is too bad that no censorship exists to compel conservative accuracy from medical sensationalists."

Earlier, a Digest article on "a new hope" for arthritis sufferers led the American Medical Association to comment: "Those who attempt education of the public in matters of health and disease have a serious responsibility; they do incalcuable harm when they mislead the public."

Another example of how the Reader's Digest slants things to suit its purposes came in recent weeks, when the Federal Trade Commission ordered the Digest to stop using deceptive advertising claims. The FTC charged that the company's advertisements for Reader's Digest condensed books had stated that a book would be given free without restriction or qualification. This was not the case, since the recipient either had to become a trial subscriber or pay the regular price of $2.73 plus postage.

Reader's Digest also claimed that a $2.97 price for the magazine was a reduction form a "regular" yearly price of $4. This regular price, said the FTC, was fictitious.

In addition, the FTC ordered the Digest to stop implying that a customer's subscription to the magazine was automatically renewed unless there was positive action canceling it. The Digest would bill customers who didn't take this positive action. Then if they refused to pay, they were told their accounts were being turned over to an independent collection agency. The FTC said that the collection agency was not an independent agency, but only a mail address used by Reader's Digest.

The story on REA in the December Reader's Digest—which reportedly was originated by the Digest staff—points out another misconception concerning the magazine. Contrary to common belief, the Digest long ago stopped depending on other publications to give it the kind of material suited to its view-point. Now, many of the magazine's articles carry bylines of Digest staff members (as is the case in the REA article). In most cases, even the articles which are credited to other publications are prepared by the Digest staff or Digest-hired writers. After the stories are prepared, they are "planted" in other publications before being reprinted by the Digest. (In one case, a story credited to a certain publication never appeared in that publication—or anywhere but in the Reader's Digest. In another, the Digest so ingeniously "condensed" an article from **Nation** magazine that the condensation ran 468 words **longer** than the **Nation** article!)

The Digest also uses other ways to get its message before the public. Its gigantic reprint department concentrates on political pieces of a militantly conservative nature. Thousands of copies of these articles are made available at a penny or two a piece. In the case on the article on rural electrification, it may be that millions of them are in circulation. Power companies are snapping them up and distributing them in large numbers. In North Carolina, for instance, power companies are sending them to farm leaders, stockholders and others.

Amazingly enough, reprints of the article were circulating **before** the December Digest made its appearance on the newsstand!

All of this makes the remarks of one writer notable: "That the Digest, like any other publication, has a right to exploit a partisan point of view on any subject has never been questioned, but there appears to be some doubt whether it is altogether sporting of a magazine to grind an editorial axe while pretending to be a literary cross-section."

Digest: "Co-ops can boast well over 300,000 industrial and commercial customers"

The Facts: The figure is correct but not nearly as significant as the article implies. Commercial and industrial consumers on the lines of REA borrowers make up less than 7 percent of the total. Most of these are small service stations and rural stores. Only three-tenths of one percent constitute what are normally considered large loads.

(In the pages which follow in the Reader's Digest article, five general arguments are offered against the rural electrification program. Here are basic considerations which put each of them in more realistic perspective, without reference to individual points in the mixture of fact and fiction which fill the intervening paragraphs.)

Digest: "REA co-ops with their two-percent subsidy and tax-free advantages are competing unfairly with private business."

Background: First, the cooperatives are private businesses. Second, they could not be competing with power companies, because they serve rural areas which the companies could not or would not serve.

The contention of the Digest authors seems to be that commercial power companies should be allowed to take over whatever electric loads or areas which appear to be profitable, leaving what is left to the cooperatives. The left-over portions could not be self-sustaining.

Digest: "REA has barged into the industrial-loan business, an activity ridiculously far removed from its original design."

Background: REA makes loans **only** for the following purposes: (1) rural electrification, and (2) improvement and extension of telephone service in rural areas.

What the Digest refers to as "the industrial-loan business" are electric consumer financing loans made under Section 5 of the Rural Electrification Act. This lending authority was provided by Congress in the original act of 1936, and has been used since that time.

Digest: "REA-subsidized co-ops use their tax-free earnings for a variety of private, profit-making ventures."

Background: REA-financed cooperatives are private businesses, and it is the responsibility of each borrower to determine the proper use of its general funds.

Every business, including suppliers of electric energy, must have on hand sufficient funds for normal operations and for adequate reserve in case of an emergency. Rural electric cooperatives are no exception. In addition, cooperatives cannot use REA loan funds for plant replacements. Poles and transformers and other items which wear out must be replaced out of revenues. REA recommends that a borrower have reserve funds for plant replacements not exceeding 6 percent of total plant, reserve funds for contingencies not exceeding 3 percent of total plant, and sufficient working capital not exceeding 6 percent of total plant.

Further, REA recommends that all such working capital and reserve funds "be kept in banks whose deposits are insured by the FDIC or invested in securities of the United States Government or institutions insured or guaranteed by the United States Government or by an instrumentality thereof."

From the Digest comments, it is not clear whether the writers of the article expect the co-ops to operate without funds or whether they think it is proper to have operating and reserve funds providing they are kept as cash in the office safe and not deposited in banks or otherwise held in a manner their needs require.

Digest: "Many co-ops have been allowed to draw more funds from REA's kitty despite remarkable records of prosperity."

Background: REA Bulletin 1-7, dated February 12, 1962, provides that in reviewing loan applications, the amount and management of a borrower's general funds will be considered by REA . . . and that a loan application must be supported by a detailed analysis clearly justifying the amount and form of its deposits and investments where a borrower has general funds exceeding 20 percent of the cost of its facilities or where the nature of the borrower's investments do not conform to REA's recommendations.

Digest: "REA is pouring out gigantic funds for the construction of co-op power plants."

Background: Congress recognized the need for low-cost power and secure sources of power for the conduct of an area-wide rural electrification program. Section 4 of the Rural Electrification Act provides for loans for generation and transmission.

REA makes loans for these generating plants only under the following conditions: (a) where no adequate and dependable source of power is available, (b) where the wholesale rates charged by existing power suppliers are higher than those from facilities financed by REA would be, and (c) where generation and transmission facilities are necessary to protect the security and effectiveness of REA-financed systems.

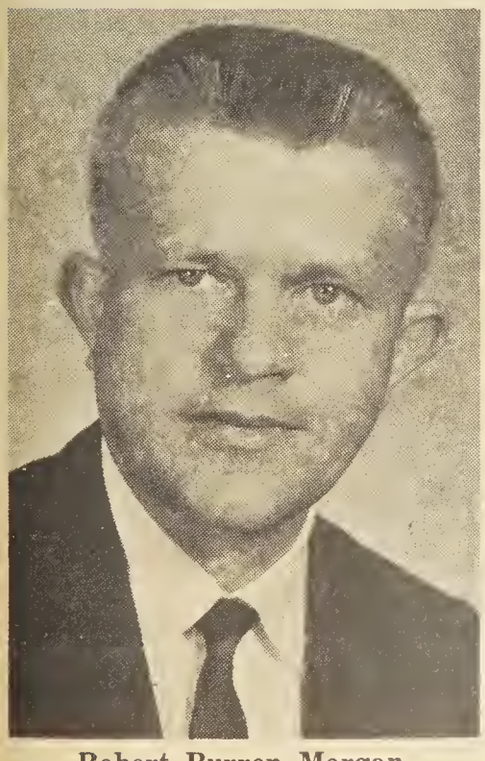
Digest: "During REA's entire history only nine co-ops have . . . fulfilled REA's motto, 'Owned by those we serve,' by paying off their government loans out of their earnings. This is an incredibly poor record"

The Facts: REA doesn't have such a motto; many of its borrowers do—and they are owned by those they serve. Just because co-ops aren't debt-free doesn't mean their members don't own them. What the Digest doesn't note is that power companies **seldom, if ever,** repay the money they borrow for capital expansion; when bonds become due, they borrow again to repay them. As the Digest notes, co-ops are paying off their loans. But since the REA has been in existence less than 30 years and REA loans are usually for periods of 35 years, it's hard to see why the Digest thinks it's "incredibly poor" that only nine co-ops have repaid the government.

It is worth noting, too, that for a cooperative to be debt-free is no virtue in itself. In fact, it may mean that the members are or will be suffering from inadequate service and own a worn-out electric system because there aren't sufficient funds for necessary expansion or replacement. ◄

1963 General Assembly Honor Roll

THE CAROLINA FARMER is continuing this month its Honor Roll of the 1963 General Assembly. In this issue and the next several, we are bringing you photos and sketches of those members of the General Assembly who supported your electric cooperative. We will continue with this series until all 79 legislators who voted in favor of your co-op on each record vote are recognized.



Robert Burren Morgan

Robert B. Morgan, Democrat, Senator from the Twelfth Senatorial District (Harnett, Hoke, Moore and Randolph counties), voted in support of rural electrification on both record votes on the Senate floor during the 1963 General Assembly.

Morgan was born in Harnett County and attended Lillington High School, graduating in 1942. He received his B.S. degree from East Carolina Teachers College in 1947 and the LL.B. degree from Wake Forest Law School in 1950.

A lawyer, he is a member of the Harnett County Bar Association, the N. C. State Bar, the N. C. State Bar Association, the American Bar Association, and Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity.

Morgan is a past president of his Rotary Club and a member of the Masonic Lodge and the Order of the Eastern Star. He has served as vice-chairman of the Board of Trustees of East Carolina College, and from 1957 to 1959, he was president of the East Carolina College Alumni Association.

A veteran of World War II, Morgan served with the U. S. Navy from 1944 until 1946 and during the Korean crisis in 1952.

Morgan is a Baptist and has served his church as both a deacon and Sunday School teacher. He is married to the former Katie Earle Owen and they have two daughters.

He was a state senator in the General Assembly of 1955 and 1959.

Marshall Thomas Newman

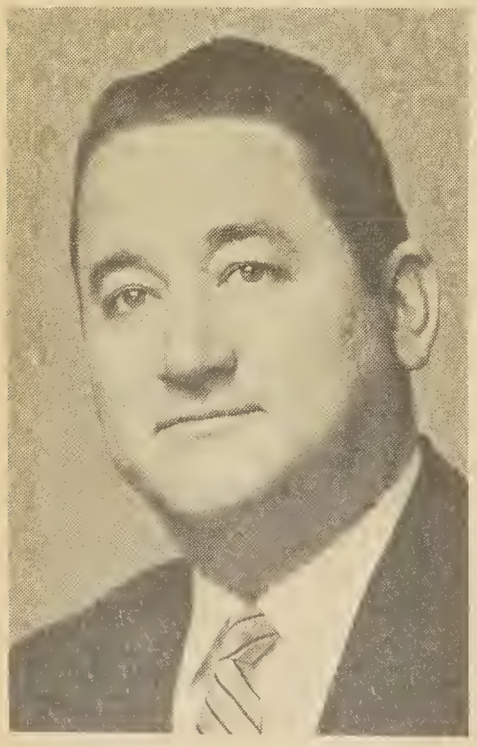
The Representative from Sampson County, Marshall T. Newman, a Democrat, voted in support of rural electrification on all three record votes in the House. Born in Belvoir Township, he attended Clinton Grammar School and was graduated from Salemburg High School in 1931. He attended North

Carolina State College in Raleigh.

A farmer, Newman is a member of the Grange and Farm Bureau. He was president of the Artificial Breeders Association in 1948 and president of the N. C. Vegetable Growers Co-op in 1960. Newman was chairman of the Sampson County Commissioners from 1952 until 1958 and has served on the Township A.S.C. Committee. From 1956 until 1959, he was vice-president of the Cumberland-Sampson Telephone Membership Corporation. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge Coharie 379 of Salemburg, having served as Senior Warden in 1943 and Master in 1944.

Newman is a steward in the First Methodist Church of Clinton. He is married to the former Isabelle Butler and they have four children.

He was a representative in the General Assembly of 1959 and 1961.



Philip Pittman Godwin

As the Represenative from Gates County in the recent General Assembly, Philip P. Godwin, Democrat, voted favorably on all three record votes on matters affecting your cooperative in the House of Representatives.

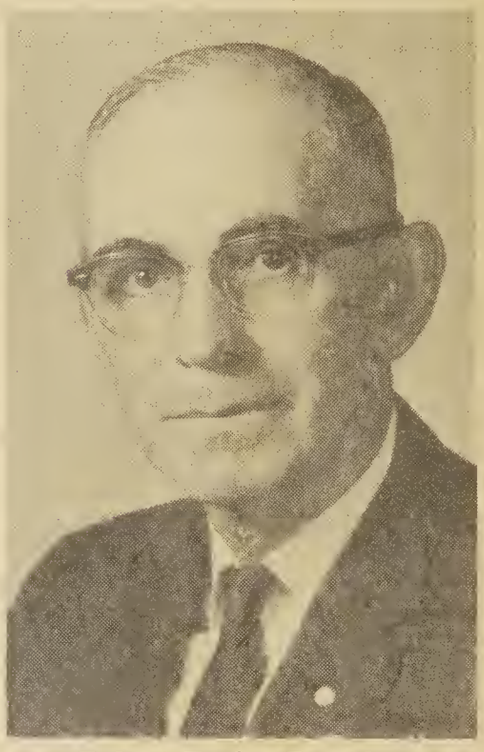
Godwin was born in Gatesville and attended Gatesville High School and Fishburne Military School. He recived his B.S. degree from Wake Forest College in 1953 and the LL.B. degree from that institution's Law School in 1956. While at Wake Forest College, he served as president of the college's chapter of the Young Democrats Club.

A lawyer, he is a member of the First District Bar Association, the North Carolina State Bar, and the North Carolina Bar Association.

Godwin served with the U.S. 5th Air Force from 1943 to 1945, and, during part of that time, saw action in the Pacific Theatre of Operations.

He is a member of the Baptist Church and is married to the former Anita Thomas Freeman. The couple has one son.

Godwin was a representative in the General Assembly of 1961.



Robert Earley Brantley

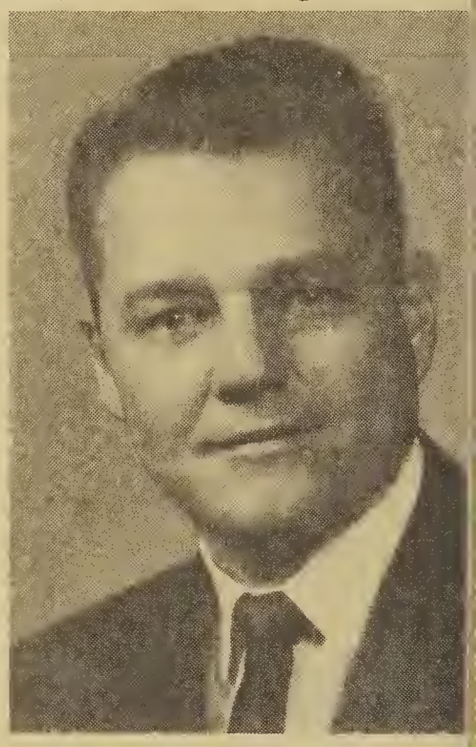
Robert Brantley, Democrat, is one of two senators representing the Thirty-second Senatorial District (Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Polk and Transylvania counties).

He was born in Zebulon and attended Wakelon High School, graduating in 1916. Brantley is a theatre owner and president and manager of B. B. Chevrolet, Inc., in his hometown of Tryon.

Active in the affairs of his community, Brantley is a former chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of Polk County; a past president of the Tryon Rotary Club; past president of the Tryon Merchants Association; past president of the Tryon Chamber of Commerce; and a past president of Polk County Red Cross. He has been mayor of the Town of Tryon since 1960.

Brantley was a representative in the General Assembly of 1951, 1953 and 1955.

He is a member of the Congregational Church and is married to the former Sallie V. Baker. They have three daughters.



George Matthew Wood

George Wood, a Democrat, represented Camden County in the recent General Assembly. He voted in favor of your electric co-op on all three occasions when the rural electrification issue came before the House of Representatives.

Wood was born in Camden. He attended Elizabeth City High School and Stanton Military Academy. He was graduated in 1951 from North Carolina State in Raleigh with a B.S. degree in agronomy.

A farmer and grain dealer, Wood is a past president of the Carolina Grain and Feed Dealers Association; a member of the North Carolina Feed Manufacturers Association, the National Potato Chip Institute, and the Delmarva Poultry Industry, Inc. He is a member of the board of directors of the N. C. Potato Association, the North Carolina Agricultural Institute (N. C. State College), and the North Carolina Agricultural Foundation.

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Infrared Bulbs for heating...

Like Rays From Old Sol

A relatively new method of heating is catching on fast with farmers in North Carolina.

All over the state farmers are inquiring about this form of heating for workshops, milking parlors, and other normally unheated areas.

The type of heat is not new. It's as old as the sun itself. But the application of it to use on the farm is just now really catching on.

The heat we have reference to is infrared heating. Various forms of infrared heating equipment have been in use for some time now, but infrared heat bulbs especially have been found to be particularly adaptable to use on the farm.

Infrared is radiant heat. Infrared rays pass through the air and heat only the objects they strike. Thus infrared heat can keep a man warm even though the temperature of the surrounding air is low. This makes comfort possible without having to heat an entire farm building or work area.

Infrared heat is ideal for heating a selected area, or spot heating. Infrared heat bulbs offer a particular advantage to the farmer who spends only a few hours a day in a farm shop, milking parlor or other unheated farm building.

One of the best applications of infrared heating is in the milking parlor. Here, it is usually only the pit area that is heated and this area only to maintain some degree of comfort for the operator.

Walls of most milking parlors are of concrete blocks, and in North Carolina an insulated milking parlor is a rarity. Since concrete block walls are good conductors, heat inside the parlor is lost rapidly to colder outside air. Also, opening the doors to let cows in and out results in frequent air changes. In addition, due to the liberal use of water, high humidity conditions prevail. All of this adds to the discomfort of the operator.

Research by several of the electric cooperatives in this state has shown conclusively that infrared heat lamps are the answer to the problem of providing comfortable working conditions in the milking parlor. There are no drafts because the heat is not being "blown" into the room. The heat is provided only when and where it is needed; namely, in the operator's pit, which is difficult to heat with circulating heaters because warm air rises within a room. With the infrared rays directed down on him and the floor, the operator is in the warmest part of the parlor.

This research has shown, too, that operation costs are low. This is due primarily to the fact that heat lamps are used only during milking. Since the heating is instantaneous, there is no need to turn on the lamps prior to the time the operator enters the milking parlor.

Fred Stem, Rt. 2, Oxford, a Wake EMC member, has been highly pleased with his installation of infrared heating in his milking parlor. L. K. Stephenson, electrification advisor for the cooperative, assisted Stem with the construction and installation of the equipment.

You can easily figure their cost of operation. Four 250-watt lamps will use 1 KWH of electricity for each hour of operation.

Like operating costs, installation costs are low also. These lamps can be mounted on a two-by-four and suspended from the ceiling. Actually, about the only materials to be bought would be the bulbs themselves, porcelain sockets, and the necessary wiring. Users report that it is best to provide two circuits with every other bulb on alternate circuits.

Installation is simple. Install one row of lamps for each row of stalls.

Mount lamps approximately one foot out from the edge of the stall, with the bottom of the lamp bulbs 12 inches above the head of the tallest operator.

For ease of wiring and for safety, it is suggested that the lamps be mounted on a strip or a channel made for this purpose. But several installations have proven completely satisfactory with the bulbs mounted on a strip of 2-inch by 2-inch material. Suspend the cluster of lights with chains from the ceiling so that they can be raised completely out of the way when not in use.

The recommended general installation is R-40 250-watt heat lamps placed 16 inches apart in a continuous line. For your specific requirements you should contact the electrification advisor or manager of your cooperative.

Users of infrared heating report that there is plenty of light to work by when clear glass lamps are used, and they also report very little breakage. ◄

The New President: Friend of Rural People

Past records indicate that the new President will continue the Kennedy Administration's aggressive advocacy of full development of our natural resources and support for our rural electrification program.

Under tragic circumstances known to all, Lyndon Baines Johnson has taken over the reins of the United States government.

With the change from the Kennedy Administration to the Johnson Administration has come the universal question: What major policy changes will the new President make?

FOR RURAL electrification, the overwhelming evidence is that President Johnson will continue the Kennedy Administration's aggressive advocacy of full development of our natural resources and support for the rural electrification program.

Former President Kennedy came from Massachusetts, a state with no rural electric cooperatives. President Johnson comes from Texas, a state with more rural electric systems than any state in the nation.

President Kennedy learned about rural electrics and then gave them his full support. But President Johnson does not have that original handicap. In fact, the LBJ ranch is served by a rural electric co-op—one that the new President helped organize.

President Johnson's long public service has also been marked with consistent support for policies favorable to the rural electrification program.

WHILE SERVING in both the Senate and the House of Representatives, the new Chief Executive compiled an impressive record of votes favorable to rural electrification.

As recorded in the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association's voting tabulation, the new Chief Executive is shown to have voted 85 percent "favorable." From 1937 when he first came on the Washington scene until 1960 when he became Vice President, Johnson built a record of 49 favorable votes and only seven unfavorable on issues related to rural electrification. That is one of the best records of any individual legislator.

BUT THE new President has done more for rural electrification than just vote "right." Indeed, he has been in the forefront of those championing the interests of rural electrics. Recognition of this is found in his appearance three times at national meetings of NRECA. On one occasion, the 1959 NRECA meeting in Washington, one of the other speakers was the then Senator John F. Kennedy.

In a major address at last year's annual meeting of NRECA, the then Vice President emphasized that rural electrics must play a new and modern role in the defense and progress of our country. He cited the newly-organized Amargosa Electric Co-op in Nevada as an example—small but significant in that it serves an Atomic Energy Commission station.

JOHNSON noted that the nation needs "the full total of the national strength" to fulfill the opportunities of the Space Age and said that "the day will come when a grateful America will be glad it has in its rural sections the rural electric cooperatives of today."

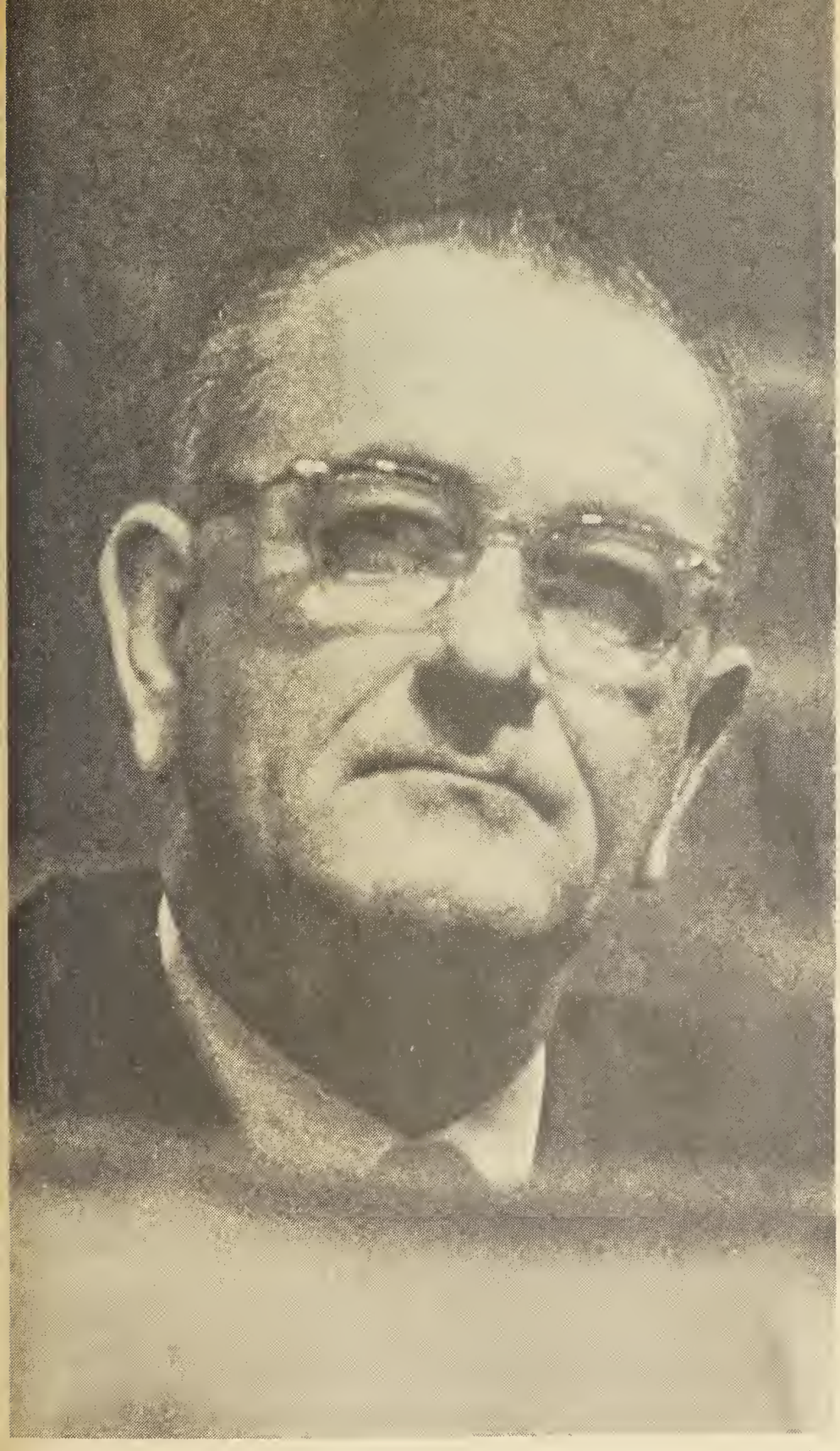
He continued: ". . . the REA program has built a foundation of strength on which now the structure of industrial expansion can and must be put into place. In the next 25 years, the rural electric cooperatives of the United States will be lighting the lamp of our nation's progress."

"We must continue our support of the rural electrification program as a vital part of the foundation of our nation's future," said Johnson.

IN ADDITION, Johnson told the NRECA delegates, meeting in what he called the "oasis" of Las Vegas, that had it not been for intelligent development of our water resources, the areas around Las Vegas "might still be a desert . . and the city might still be without its thousands of lights."

In an address at NRECA's meeting in 1957, Johnson, who was then the Majority Leader of the Senate, also stressed full development of water resources. He said that a project in one part of the country affects all others because "you can't divide freedom."

At the 1957 meeting, he also termed NRECA, ". . . the biggest and best and the most effective farm organization in the United States today."



President Johnson at NRECA's annual meeting.

In the 1960 Presidential contest, Johnson ran as Vice President under a Democratic platform that included these items:

Rural Electrification—"We will maintain interest rates for REA co-ops and public power districts at the levels provided in present law.

"We deplore Administration failure to provide the dynamic leadership necessary to encourage loans to rural users for generation of power where necessary.

"We promise the co-ops active support in meeting the ever-growing demand for electric power and telephone service to be filled on a complete area-coverage basis, without requiring benefits for special interest power groups."

Federal Power—"(We) will continue to develop 'yardsticks' for measuring the rates of private utility systems.

"**THIS MEANS** meeting the needs of rural electric cooperatives for low-interest loans for distribution, transmission and generation facilities; federal transmission facilities, where appropriate, to provide efficient low-cost power supply; and strict enforcement of the public-preference clause in power marketing.

"The Democratic administration will support continued study and research on energy fuel resources . . . The people are entitled to use profitably what they already own.

"(We) . . . will foster the development of efficient regional giant power systems from all sources including water, tidal, and nuclear, to supply low-cost electricity to all retail electric systems, public, private, and cooperative . . ."

Natural Resources . . . "Natural resources are the birthright of all the people. The new Democratic administration . . . will develop the heritage for the use of this and future generations.

"**WE FAVOR** the best use of our natural resources, which generally means adoption of the multiple-purpose principle to achieve full development for all the many functions they can serve . . ."

Agricultural Cooperatives—"We will encourage agricultural cooperatives by expanding and liberalizing existing credit facilities and developing new facilities if necessary to assist them in extending their marketing and purchasing activities, and we will protect cooperatives from punitive taxation . . ."

Rural Telephone—"We promise . . . active support in meeting the ever-growing demand for . . . telephone service to be filled on a complete area-coverage basis . . ."

That is the platform the new President ran on as a Vice Presidential candidate in 1960. The platform of that campaign was President Kennedy's program for three years. There are no indications that it will change under the administration of Lyndon Baines Johnson, a man who is superbly trained for his new job. ◄

Appliances Designed for Double Duty

The Carolina Homemaker
Edited By Jennie Layne

When is a toaster not just a toaster? When it is used to heat frozen waffles, reheat biscuits or to make your own Melba toast.

All of your small kitchen appliances can be big helps if you give them more than part-time work to do. They have good table manners and can go to the buffet or dining table for cooking and serving, leaving the cook with her guests where she belongs.

The term portable appliances is not just a name, it's an asset. They are designed to travel about, from room to room, to the porch, garden or in the car to picnic grounds where outlets are available.

Here are some suggestions for giving your small appliances more work to do, and you will no doubt add to the list as you become accustomed to using the appliances as an extra pair of hands.

Use the steam iron to raise the nap on velvets, corduroys and suede. It works fine on hats, clothing and even upholstery. Hold the iron just above the fabric with the pile side up and allow the steam to penetrate. Veils can be re-stiffened by ironing with a dry iron between layers of waxed paper.

If you're the lucky one with a blender in your kitchen, keep it handy and use it. Fresh-ground coffee can be yours at the flick of a switch and you can make your own blends, to the desired grind—coarse, medium or fine. The blender will also chop vegetables, make bread crumbs and blend seasonings for stuffing, puree foods for baby or make a healthy midday pick-up from your own blend of fruits, vegetables or juices. Never used your blender for fixing quick soups? What a pity! It will do a beautiful job if you simply combine the ingredients, blend, heat (or chill) and serve. Soups prepared this way will have a fluffy consistency.

When your electric fry pan isn't at the dinner table, it can be used for baking cakes and cookies instead of using the oven. With a broiler lid, it makes tasty hamburgers or open-face sandwiches. Use it to keep casserole dishes piping hot without over cooking. Just preheat pan to 200° and place the hot casserole inside right after you remove it from the oven. Used

this way, the electric skillet is ideal for buffet as well as everyday meals. Been wishing for a chafing dish? Wish no more—controlled heat makes the electric skillet a perfect substitute.

If you haul out the electric coffee maker only for company, you're missing a morning treat. Plug it into the timer clock of your range before retiring, and wake up in the morning to the incomparable aroma of freshly brewed coffee. The coffee maker may also be used to heat soups, hard-cook eggs and make hot malteds, tea or cocoa. For temptingly foamy cocoa, make a thick paste with the dry ingredients, put in basket, and perk on "mild" setting.

If you have a roaster oven, use it for cooking in quantity. Use the whole roaster for scalloped potatoes, scrambled eggs, spaghetti or whatever for a large group, and then serve from the roaster. If you're carrying the food, it will stay hot up to six hours if the roaster oven is wrapped in a blanket. The roaster will also make easier the chores of making jams and jellies in quantity or water-bath canning of tomatoes or fruit.

An electric griddle, so handy for hot dogs, hamburgers, and pancakes, will lead a double life if you also use it as a hot tray for serving hot appetizers when entertaining. Just set the temperature control at 200°. Crackers will be heated and stay crisp; toppings will remain soft and appetizing. Foods to be served hot will stay that way and hold their flavor.

In addition to its many uses in the kitchen, the portable mixer can be used to mix detergents for dry suds jobs.

It's abuse, not use, that makes appliances old before their time, say home economists. So put your appliances to work for you in the variety of jobs that each can handle. They'll soon earn a place on top of the counter instead of on the back shelf. ◄

just 'tween you and me

•• by Jennie

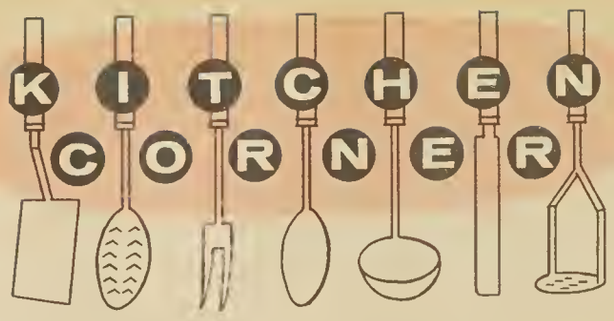
I've never been one to make resolutions, New Year's or any other kind. In fact, every year just before the First rolls around, I've always felt a little relieved that I didn't have to worry and fret deciding which of my human frailties I would have to do away with during the coming year.

But this year, somehow I feel differently. I can't exactly put my finger on the reason. It's just that I keep remembering something I used to hear an old Negro friend of mine say . . . something that went like this: "There'll never come a time in your life when you can't use a little patching over the elbows and knees of everyday living." I didn't know just what she meant at the time, but now I think I do. And what better time than now, right at the beginning of a brand new year, to patch over those spots that have worn a little thin in the fabric woven of hectic days on a loom whose spindles bob at a frantic pace.

The patches I'm going to sew on may not last the whole year through, but then patches never do. And when these wear thin, it'll be time again for new thread and new material, perhaps even for a new suit.

But for now the patches will do. Not ordinary patches mind you. Each one will be a silent promise that I'll make to myself. A promise that in 1964 I will take the time to:

- Enjoy the warmth of a hot cup of chocolate in front of a blazing fire when snowflakes fall.
- Bake a birthday surprise for someone who thought I'd forgotten.
- Be thankful for stars that shine, friends who listen, candles that glow, lips that smile, bells that chime, and bills marked "PAID."
- Ponder the wisdom of an old Chinese proverb that reads: Better to do a kindness near at home than go far away and burn incense.
- Teach a child to blow soap bubbles through an old spool and where to look for fairies.
- Savor the delicious goodness of hot yeast rolls made from Grandmother's recipe, rather than the waxed taste of those labeled "Heat and Serve."
- Roast marshmallows, look for four-leaf clovers, walk in the rain.
- Light a single candle on the supper table just before hands are held and grace is said.
- "See a world in a grain of sand,
  And a heaven in a wild flower, . . ."
- Visit a house whose doors are always open, but too seldom entered. "The emperor goes there on foot."



Fruit Cocktail Cake

We've been hearing rumors of this delicious Fruit Cocktail Cake for some time now, so you can imagine how delighted we were to receive the recipe from Mrs. Jack G. Slate up in Surry County. It's an unusual cake recipe, to be sure—contains no milk, no butter, and no shortening, but from the reports we've had, the results are spelled this way: D-E-L-I-C-I-O-U-S!

"We live on a farm in Surry County and get our electricity from Surry-Yadkin EMC," writes Mrs. Slate. "I always look forward to getting THE CAROLINA FARMER each month. I clip the recipes and file them with my permanent records, and always get good results from the ones I try." And that makes us happy, indeed.

To save Mrs. Slate's recipe, just clip along dotted line, paste on a 3 x 5 card, and file in your recipe box.

If you have a favorite recipe you'd like to share through this column, send it to: The Carolina Homemaker, P. O. Box 1699, Raleigh, N. C. If you have a snapshot of yourself, send it along, too. And don't forget to include something about yourself and your family: the size of your family, what pleases them most at mealtime, the clubs you belong to, the name of your EMC, and anything else you'd like to share with us.

CAROLINA FARMER RECIPE

Submitted by Mrs. Jack G. Slate, Surry County, N. C.

FRUIT COCKTAIL CAKE

2 eggs
2 cups plain flour
2 teaspoons soda
1 No. 1 can fruit cocktail
1½ cups white sugar
½ teaspoon salt

Beat eggs lightly. Add sugar and beat again. Add dry ingredients alternately with juice (drained from fruit cocktail mix), beginning and ending with dry ingredients. Then add the fruit. Blend thoroughly.

Place in greased pan or baking dish. Sprinkle lightly with brown sugar and add ¼ cup chopped pecans. Bake in 350° F. oven for 25-30 minutes. Leave in pan while warm. Spread with topping.

TOPPING

¾ cup white sugar
½ to ¾ cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
½ stick margarine
½ cup chopped pecans
1 7-ounce pkg. shredded coconut

Mix and bring to a boil for about 2 minutes. Spread evenly on cake while it is still in warm pan.

THE WORD IS GETTING AROUND

...ABOUT THE SAVINGS IN PCA LOANS!

FOR EXAMPLE:
A 6% LOAN CAN COST VARYING AMOUNTS

EASY PAYMENT
$6000 at 6% (repaid monthly) for 1 year costs: $660

INTEREST in ADVANCE
$6000 at 6% (repaid monthly) for 1 year costs: $360

a PCA LOAN
$6000 at 6% simple interest (repaid monthly) for 1 year costs: $195

When you borrow the $6000 from PCA to pay for your new farm equipment, you pay the 6% interest on only the outstanding balance.

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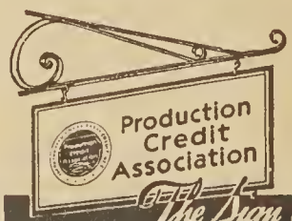

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The Sign of.... DEPENDABLE CREDIT

FAMILY FARE

By ERMA ANGEVINE
Coordinator of Women's Activities, NRECA

Another Time

We sat together around the living room sharing some of our feelings of a tragic weekend. Etched in each person's memory was the picture of what he was doing when he heard the President had been shot.

We each remembered what was being said, who was present, everything. It was as if time stopped for the moment.

Many remembered other times like this one. The announcement of the attack on Pearl Harbor had created that same stunned disbelief, followed by anger that such a thing could happen—and later by sorrow.

One woman described her feelings and reactions when she heard of the death of Franklin Roosevelt.

"I was ironing," she said, "and listening to the radio."

"The program was interrupted, and we were told the President was dead," she continued.

"I sat down on a chair and put my head on the ironing board and cried. My sadness was for everything and everybody. Then as the tears subsided I realized where I was and what I was doing.

"Ten years earlier I would have been in the kitchen ironing, standing near the stove where the flatirons were being heated. No radio would have have given me a late bulletin.

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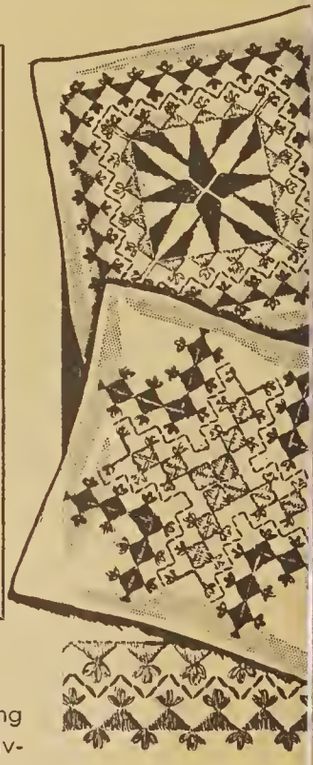

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Shut off the water supply first. If there's no shut-off valve under the kitchen sink or bathroom lavatory, you can shut it off at the pump.

Using a padded wrench, unscrew the capping nut. An unpadded wrench will mar the finish and corrosion will follow. Turn out the faucet stem, remove the screw at the bottom and pry out the worn washer. If the screw is tight, tap it lightly or apply a little kerosene.

Clean the washer seat and put in the new washer. It should fit snugly without forcing. Replace the screw and tighten. Next, clean the valve seat inside the faucet. If worn or chipped, you may need to renew the seat or have the entire faucet replaced.

Finally, replace the faucet stem and turn it in. Tighten the capping nut but not more than is necessary to stop seepage around the stem.

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Honor Roll

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Wood is a Mason and a member of the Camden Lions Club. In 1960, he was selected "Young Farmer of the Year" by the Elizabeth City Jaycees for Camden, Currituck and Pasquotank counties. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

He and his wife, the former Winifred Jones, make their home in Camden with their four children.

Earl Henry Tate

Earl H. Tate, Democrat representative from Caldwell County, was born in Spencer. He attended Lenoir High School and was graduated from the Pharmacy School at the University of North Carolina in 1925.

President and manager of the Lenoir Drug Company, Tate is a member of the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association and served as that organization's vice president in 1962. He is also a member of the American Pharmaceutical Association and the National Association of Retail Druggists.

Tate is a Mason and a Shriner. He also belongs to the Moose Lodge, the Knights of Pythias Lodge, and the Royal Order of Jesters. He was mayor of the City of Lenoir from 1937 until 1961. He has served as a member of the Lenoir-Morganton Airport Authority and as a president of the North Carolina League of Municipalities. He has served as a member of the Caldwell County Board of Health and was a trustee for the Caldwell Memorial Hospital. From 1948 until 1954, he was a member of the board of trustees of the North Carolina Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement Board. He was a member of the North Carolina Medical Care Commission from 1958 to 1961. In 1962, he served on the North Carolina Local Government Commission and as a member of the Governor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped.

Tate is a Methodist and has served on the Board of Stewards. He is married to the former Kathryn Haynes and they have three grown children.

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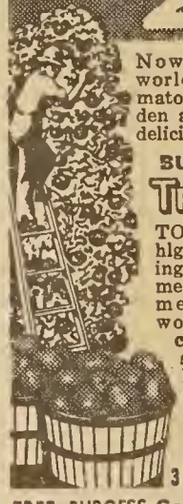

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"If Your Boyfriend Doesn't Buy You A Gift For Your Birthday, Should You Get Him One?"

"I do not think the girl should ever buy the first present. In this case, the boy evidently did not care enough for the girl to buy her a gift, or he thought it would not be the proper thing to do. If the girl buys him a present, it would be embarrassing, not only to him, but also to the girl."

Bracel Ann Bauguess
Jefferson, N. C.

Bracel is 16 years old and a junior at Ashe Central High School. An Honor Roll student, Bracel has earned membership in the Beta Club and also takes part in the Dramatics Club and the French Club. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Bauguess, are a member of Blue Ridge EMC.

"I believe that if a girl really likes a boy and wants to get him a gift, she should whether he gives her one or not. After all, she's giving the gift because she likes him. A girl should not feel she has to get her boyfriend a gift because he gave her one. Therefore, she shouldn't feel that if he didn't give her one, she shouldn't give one. That would be missing the thought behind the gift."

Doris Burris
Route 1, Box 319
Oakboro, N. C.

Doris is 16 and a junior at West Stanly High School. She says her favorite subjects are typing and shorthand. After school, she says she enjoys listening to records and dancing. Doris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude I. Burris, are a member of Union EMC.

"Yes, I would say you should if you would like to. You give someone a present because you care for them and not because you feel you should repay them for a gift they gave you. Your boyfriend may have had financial problems that prevented him from buying you a gift."

Patsy Ward
Box 25
Paint Rock, N. C.

Pasty is a junior at Hot Springs High School and writes that she enjoys reading and music. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ward, are a member of French Broad EMC.

"No . . . I don't care whether she's rich or poor, the answer is still **No.** I can think of only two reasons why a boy wouldn't give his girlfriend a gift for her birthday:

1. He doesn't care enough about the girl.
2. He didn't have the money to buy a gift.

The girl should realize this and save herself from embarrassment. Why not just send him a birthday card if you want to let him know that you remembered and are thinking of him?"

Brenda Nance
Route 1, Box 331-A
Newport, N. C.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Nance, Brenda is 16 and a junior at Morehead City High School. Her favorite pastime: writing letters. Her parents are a member of Carteret-Craven EMC.

If you have a good answer, send it to THE TEEN ROUNDTABLE, The Carolina Farmer, P. O. Box 1699, Raleigh, N. C. at once. Send a photo, too, if you have one, (we can't return it) and a few facts about yourself. Include your parents' name, and the name of the electric membership corporation serving you. If your answer is published, we will send you $5.

If you want to submit a question, send it along for our statewide panel to answer. For each question used, the sender will get a $5 check. Jot yours down and send it to us right away.

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"How Can Teen-Agers and Their Parents Avoid Friction Over Rules for Dating?"

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MAIL BOX

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Miles Tart
Rt. 2, Box 85
Lillington, N. C.

Miles' Drawing

Please send me one of your coloring books. Mom and Dad belong to R. E. A. We enjoy reading "The Front Porch" and all of THE CAROLINA FARMER.

P. S. I am 11 years old.

Mary Ann Austin
Rt. 2, Box 379
Hudson, N. C.

Dear Dick:

Please send me one of the Electric Co-op Coloring Books if you have any left. I have a little girl almost three years old and she loves to color. The first thing she did when I laid down THE CAROLINA FARMER was grab a crayon and color "Gertrude" and the cartoons.

I really enjoy your fine magazine, not only the patterns and recipes but all of it.

Thank you for the good magazine each month.

Mrs. Leff C. Jones
Rt. 3
Sparta, N. C.

I really do enjoy THE CAROLINA FARMER. I guess it is because we are farmers and always have been. It is the most enjoyable life there is. I always look forward to the recipe of the month.

Mrs. R. W. Raines
Rt. 2
Mebane, N. C.

So here comes my note and hope it's in the first 50. I enjoy THE CAROLINA FARMER very much, but sometimes run late on things like the "Kitchen Prayer" with my other chores out in the cow pasture.

H. C. Toler
Rt. 5, Box 304
Greenville, N. C.

Dear Carolina Homemaker:

We have just recently moved here from Florida and enjoy reading your articles very much.

Mrs. Lloyd Blalock
Rt. 2
Benson, N. C.

WONDERFUL THINGS

I enjoy my CAROLINA FARMER very much and when I read or hear any news about the service given to the farm families that is not good, I try to think most of it comes from people who are jealous of the farmer who has been able to do so much for himself and his family. I believe if we farm people will get back on our knees and thank our Maker who has given man the mind to do these wonderful things, we will never have to give them up.

Mrs. E. J. Howard
Richlands, N. C.

Dear Carolina Homemaker:

We enjoy THE CAROLINA FARMER so very much, especially the "Teen Roundtable" and the recipes.

We are members of the Surry-Yadkin EMC.

Miss Hazel Golding
Rt. 5, Box 391
Mount Airy, N. C.

Gentlemen:

We enjoy your magazine tremendously. It is the best "family" magazine I believe we get. Keep up your good work—we enjoy it. (Wake EMC)

Mrs. R. F. Tucker
Rt. 1, Box 307-A
Kittrell, N. C.

Dear CAROLINA FARMER:

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THE CAROLINA FARMER is a good paper and I enjoy it very much.

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Mrs. James Lewis
Rt. 1, Box 103
Relief, N. C.

Dear Sir:

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Ina Mae Roark
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. . . Marriage is the alliance of two people, one of whom never remembers birthdays and the other never forgets them.

. . . The trouble with stretch socks is that you can never be sure whether you're putting on your own or your 10-year-old's.

"Oh, joy sublime to see another sunrise from the seat of my tractor."

Sad, But True

A father, buying a doll for his daughter's birthday, was told by the saleslady, "Here's a lovely doll —you lay her down and she closes her eyes, just like a real little girl."

"I guess," said the father sadly, "you've never had a real little girl."

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Contemporary Compass

Boy Scout leader to troop: "Remember, men, if you're lost in the woods at night, get your bearings from the sky. A glow will indicate the nearest shopping center."

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Delayed Action

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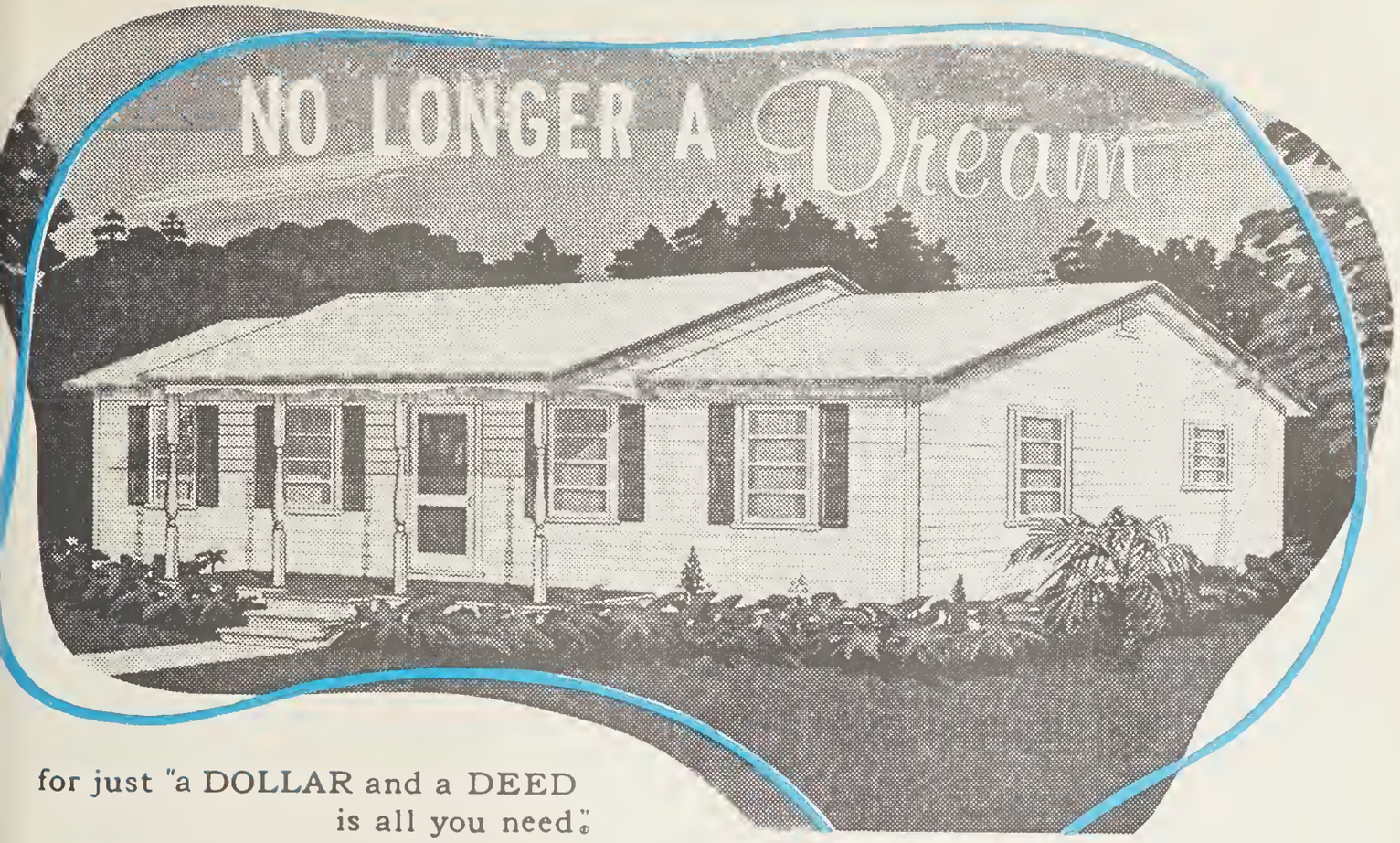

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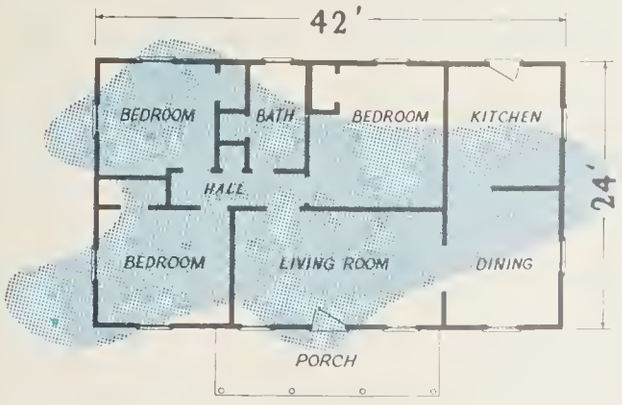

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